



MDHS

MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

Division of Early Childhood Care and Development

CCDF State Plan Overview & Section One

Nov 30, 2015



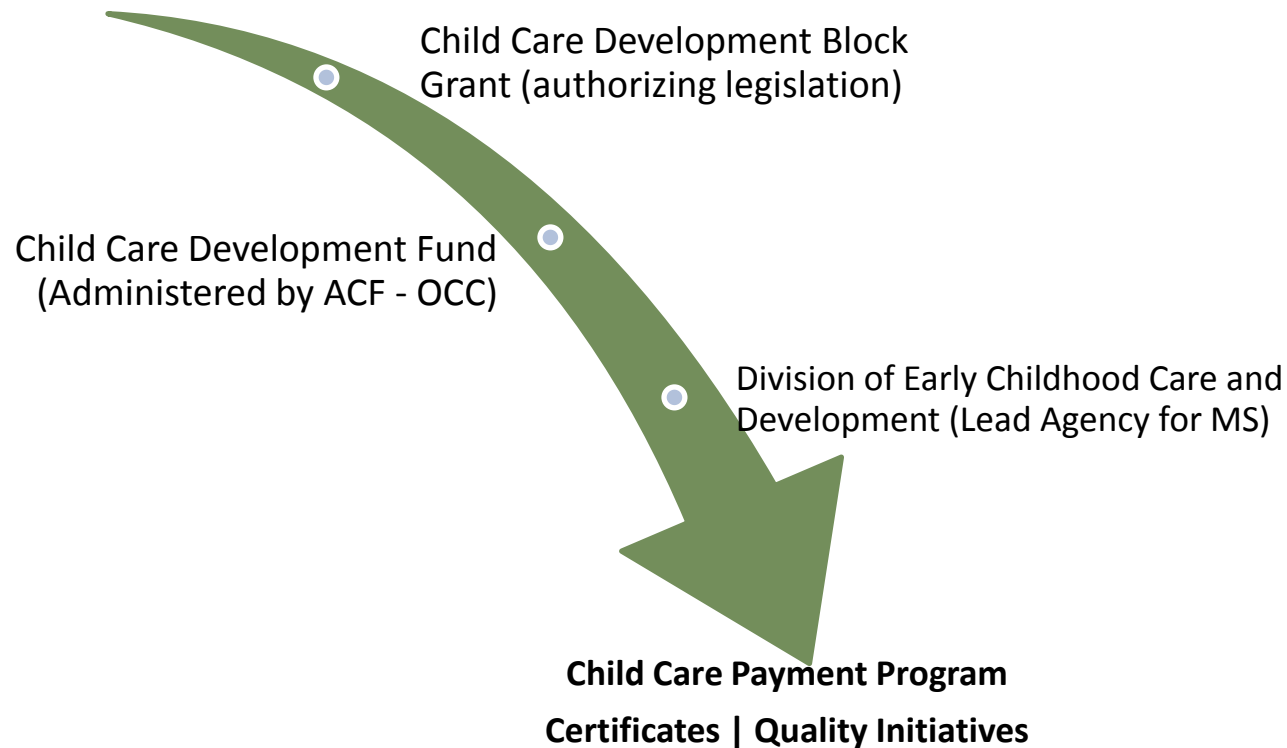


Purpose of Webinar Series

- Review State Plan
- Solicit Feedback
- Participation in the webinar series is voluntary

DATE	TOPIC
Nov. 30, 2015	CCDF State Plan Overview and Section 1
Dec. 8, 2015	CCDF State Plan Section 2: Promote Family Engagement through Outreach and Consumer Education
Dec. 14, 2015	CCDF State Plan Section 3: Provide Stable Child Care Financial Assistance to Families
Dec. 16, 2015	CCDF State Plan Section 4: Ensure Equal Access to High Quality Child Care for Low Income Children
Jan. 6, 2016	CCDF State Plan Section 5: Establish Standards and Monitoring Process to Ensure the Health and Safety of Child Care Settings
Jan. 8, 2016	CCDF State Plan Section 6: Recruit and Retain a Qualified and Effective Child Care Workforce
Jan. 11, 2016	CCDF State Plan Section 7: Support Continuous Quality Improvement
Jan. 13, 2016	CCDF State Plan Section 8: Ensure Grantee Accountability

Overview



CCDBG Reauthorization

- First time since Program's initial authorization
- Signed into law in 2014
- Plan Submission delayed
- Final Promulgation of Rules still pending

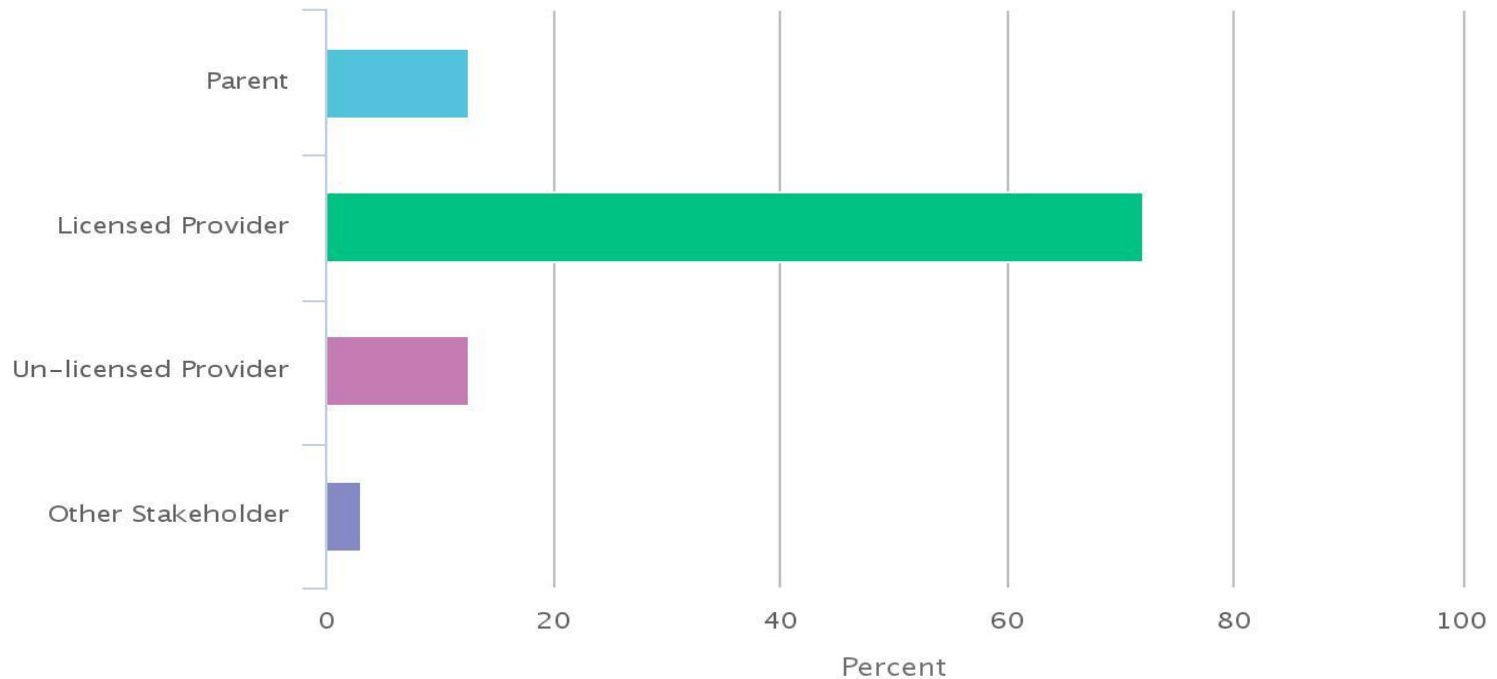


Plan period extended from 2 to 3 years

Poll

- You will be asked poll questions throughout the webinar series
- DECCD will use polls as a way to get your feedback on certain issues

Select the option that best describes you



Key




= New CCDBG requirement which will mean a change in DECCD policy

CCDBG 658E (c)(2)

= policy citation and text from CCDBG 2014

Section 1.1

CCDF Leadership


- Lead Agency: MDHS
- State Administrator: Laura Dickson, DECCD
- DECCD
 - Subsidy and Financial Assistance
-  • Monitoring
 - Grantee Accountability
- Early Years Network
 - Outreach and Consumer Ed
 - Childcare Workforce
 - Professional Development
 - Training
 - Technical Assistance
 - Quality Improvement
 - Parent Engagement
 - Health/Mental Health/Nutrition
- MSDH Childcare Licensure
 - Licensing

658E (c)(2)(K)(i)(IV): require licensing inspectors (or qualified inspectors designated by the lead agency) of child care providers and facilities to perform an annual inspection of each license-exempt provider in the State receiving funds under this subchapter (unless the provider is an eligible child care provider as described in section 658(6)(B)) for compliance with health, safety, and fire standards at a time to be determined by the state.

Section 1.2

CCDF Policy Decision Authority

- All program rules and policies are set at the State Level including
 - Eligibility rules
 - Sliding fee scale
 - Payment rates

- Who determines eligibility?
 - DECCD
 - TANF
 - Family and Children's Services
 - Healthy Homes Mississippi
 -  Homeless agencies

- Who provides consumer education?
 - Early Years Network
 - DECCD

- Who Issues Payments?
 - DECCD

658E(c)(3)(B)(i) : In General- the State shall use amounts provided to the State for each fiscal year under this subchapter for child care services on a sliding fee scale basis, activities that improve the quality or availability of such services, activities that improve access to child care services, including the use of procedures to permit enrollment (after an initial eligibility determination) of homeless children while required documentation is obtained, training and technical assistance on identifying and serving homeless children and their families, and specific outreach to homeless families, and any other activity that the State determines to be appropriate to meet the purposes of this subchapter.

Section 1.3

Consultation / Plan Development

- Required Consultants
 - General Purpose Local Governments
 - State Early Childhood Advisory Council (SECAC)
 - Tribes (at the option of the Tribe)
- Optional Consultants
 - McKinney Vento
 - Provider Groups or Associations
- Public Hearings
 - State Tour
 - Public Hearing with Secretary of State filing
- Plan Available to the Public
 - Website
 - Stakeholder notification

Section 1.4

Coordination with Partners

Partners DECCD will coordinate with over the next 3 years to expand accessibility and continuity of care

- Federal/State/Local pre-school programs (required)
- Tribal early childhood programs (required)



Programs serving homeless children(required)

- Early childhood programs serving children in foster care (required)
- Child Care Licensure
- Head Start
- SECAC
- EYN
- McKinney Vento
- MDE
- HHM
- TANF



Section 1.5

Optional Use of Combined Funds

States have the option to combine funding for child care services with funding from other agency/organization funding streams

DECCD has not identified any additional funding streams at this time

658(c)(2)(O)(ii): Optional Use of Combined Funds. – If the State elects to combine funding for the services supported to carry out this subchapter with funding for any program described in clause (i), the plan shall describe how the State will combine the multiple sets of funding and use the combined funding.

Section 1.6

Public Private Partnerships

States are required to explain how they encourage partnerships to leverage existing service delivery systems and to increase the supply and quality of child care services.

- Slot Program (local match required)
- Shared Services via the Allies for Quality Care Pilot under the Early Years Network

658(c)(2)(P): Public Private Partnerships. – The plan shall demonstrate how the State encourages partnerships among State agencies, other public agencies, Indian tribes and tribal organizations, and private entities, including faith-based and community-based organizations, to leverage existing service delivery systems (as of the date of the submission of the application containing the plan) for child care and development services and to increase the supply and quality of child care services for children who are less than 13 years of age, such as by implementing voluntary shared services alliance models.

Section 1.7

Coordination with CCR&Rs



- Specific Requirements from CCDBG
 - Consumer education
 - Support informed decisions for families
 - Collect data and provide info on
 - coordination of services
 - supply and demand
 - Seek partnerships to increase supply and quality
 - Coordinate with Lead Agency
- Our Partnership with the EYN
 - 17 CCR&R Sites Statewide
 - Parent education programs
 - Training and TA to Providers
 - Credentialing to TTA Providers
 - Leadership development
 - MS Director's Credential
 - National Director's Credential
 - CDA
 - Financial/business TA
 - Allies for Quality Care Pilot
 - Quality Stars Program
 - Child Assessment
 - In-Home Provider QRIS pilot
 - Out of School QRIS pilot
 - WELS data system

658(c)(3)(B)(iii)(II): The local or regional CCR&R organizations supported as described in subclause(I) shall – (aa) provide parents in the state with consumer education information referred to in paragraph (2)(E) (except as otherwise provided in that paragraph,) concerning the full range of child care options (including faith-based and community-based child care providers, analyzed by provider, including the child care provided during nontraditional hours and through emergency child care centers, in their political subdivisions or regions; (bb) to the extent practicable, work directly with families who receive assistance under this subchapter to offer the families support and assistance, using information described in item (aa), to make an informed decision about which child care providers they will use, in an effort to ensure that the families are enrolling their children in the most appropriate child care setting to suit their needs and one that is of high quality (as determined by the state); (cc) collect data and provide information on the coordination of services and supports, including services under section 619 and part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act for children with disabilities (as defined in section 602 of such Act); (dd) collect data and provide information on the supply of and demand for child care services in political subdivisions or regions within the state; (ee) work to establish partnerships with public agencies and private entities, including faith-based and community-based child care providers, to increase the supply and quality of child care services in the state and; (ff) as appropriate, coordinate their activities with the activities of the State lead agency and local agencies that administer funds made available in accordance with this subchapter.

Section 1.8

Disaster Preparedness & Response Plan

Statewide Disaster Plan Must include:

1. Continuation after disaster
-  2. Disaster procedures for all providers receiving CCDF funding
-  3. Training and practice drills for all providers receiving CCDF funding

Current MSDH policies (licensed facilities)

- Rule 1.2.2: Provider-developed emergency policy and verification of 2 emergency relocation sites
- Rule 1.12.7: Monthly fire/disaster evacuation drills for licensed centers

658(c)(2)(U): (i) In General- The plan shall demonstrate the manner in which the State will address the needs of children in child care services provided through programs authorized under this subchapter, including the need for safe child care, for the period before, during, and after a state of emergency declared by the Governor or a major disaster or emergency. (ii) Statewide child Care Disaster Plan – such plan shall include a statewide child care disaster plan for coordination of activities and collaboration, in the event of an emergency or disaster described in clause (i), among the State agency with jurisdiction over human services, the agency with jurisdiction over State emergency planning, the State lead agency, the State agency with jurisdiction over licensing of child care providers, the local resource and referral organizations, the State resource and referral system, and the SAC. (iii) Disaster Plan Components- The components of the Disaster plan, for such an emergency or disaster shall include-

- (I) Evacuation, relocation, shelter-in-place, and lock-down procedures, and procedures for communications and reunification with families, continuity of operations, and accommodation of infants and toddlers, children with disabilities, and children with chronic medical conditions;
- (II) Guidelines for the continuation of child care services in the period following the emergency or disaster, which may include the provision of emergency and temporary child care services, and temporary operating standards for child care providers during that period; and
- (III) procedures for staff and volunteer emergency preparedness training and practice drills.



Next Steps

- Public Hearings
- Policy Manual Revision (Secretary of State Filing)
- Submission of the State Plan (Secretary of State Filing and submission to ACF)



Public Hearings

Scheduled for February 2016

Date	Time	Location
2/2/2016	1-2:30 pm	MGCC Jeff Davis Campus, Building #4, 2226 Switzer Road, Gulfport
2/3/2016	1:30-3 p.m.	Mississippi Valley State, small auditorium, Room 108
2/4/2016	8-11:00 a.m.	Oktibbeha Extension, 106 Felix Long Drive, Starkville
2/4/2016	5:30-7 p.m.	Lafayette County/Oxford Library, Auditorium, 401 Bramlett Blvd., Oxford
2/5/2016	1:30-3:00 p.m.	Central Mississippi Research & Extension Center, 1320 7 Springs Rd., Raymond

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